

RUSH TO WASHINGTON

Steam and Electric Trains and River Steamers Land Thousands in the Capital City.

Three steamers were used today by the Norfolk and Washington Steamboat Company to transport people to Washington who witnessed the inaugural proceedings. The Baltimore and river steamers have also brought full complements of passengers. Steamers from Norfolk were arriving at an early hour this morning, while trains running in sections were passing through this city from every quarter of the compass.

Alexandrians, as is always the case, were equally as anxious to be on hand, and train has followed train all crowded by people, young and old, most of whom never miss an inaugural.

By noon a large percentage of our people were in the capital city. It will be after midnight before all shall have returned to their homes.

While the managers of the electric railway had anticipated the wants of the city and made every effort possible to meet the demands for transportation, the old ferry line was used in the inaugural occasion. Heretofore boats have carried great crowds between this city and Washington on such occasions.

Since the passing away of our ferry service steamboats have been run on inauguration days, but on this occasion it did not occur to the companies owning the steamers that the enterprise would have been timely.

However, with the many electric and steam trains running between the two cities ample accommodation may be afforded all who desire to witness the second induction into office of Woodrow Wilson.

The first official event in the inauguration of President Wilson was the simple ceremonies when he took the oath of office in his private chambers at the Capitol yesterday. Members of the Cabinet and immediate members of the President and Mrs. Wilson's families were present. Only a few intimate friends were invited. Chief Justice White of the United States Supreme Court administered the oath. He took the second oath in public today.

Rain or snow, becoming colder at night, was the prediction for the District of Columbia today, made last night by the weather bureau. Coming on top of the first prediction for March 5, "fair and somewhat colder," the report last night was a fitting climax to two weeks of snow and rain.

Notwithstanding this gloomy forecast, the wind during the night changed from the northeast to the northwest, and shortly after 9 o'clock this morning the blue sky began to show itself once more, to the joy of the many Alexandrians who had arranged for spending most of the day in Washington. There was every reason to believe that fair and colder weather would prevail today.

POLICE COURT.

(Justice L. H. Thompson Presiding.)

The following cases were disposed of this morning:

Alphonso Webster, colored, charged with the larceny of socks belonging to W. A. Smoot & Co., was sentenced to jail for ninety days.

Ernest Fox, colored, charged with assaulting Georgia Morgan, colored, was fined \$5.

Georgia Morgan and Pearl Pinkney, both colored, charged with disorderly conduct and vagrancy, were sent to the workhouse for thirty days. A white man, charged with being drunk, forfeited his collateral by failing to appear.

A white man, charged with a similar offense, was fined \$5.

Frank Braxton, charged with keeping a hog within the corporate limits, was fined \$2. He was also charged with leaving a nuisance upon premises he had recently occupied. He was given 48 hours to abate the same.

"Ducky" Jackson, colored, charged with assaulting Evelyn Porter, colored, was dismissed. The woman who made the charge was fined \$5 for disorderly conduct and assault.

Annie Lee, charged with vagrancy had her case continued.

MONEY TO LOAN—On first mortgage in Alexandria and Rosemont. Apply to Howard W. Smith, 107 north Fairfax street. 1-12-17.

PRESIDENT SWORN IN

Wilson Take The Oath in the Capitol with Only His Wife and Cabinet as Witnesses.

The second term of Woodrow Wilson began at noon yesterday—or, rather, to be absolutely exact, it began at 12:04 p. m., when in the presence only of Mrs. Wilson and members of the Cabinet and before Edward Douglas White, Chief Justice of the United States, he repeated the solemn inaugural oath, and bending over the little black Bible held out to him by the aged jurist, pressed his lips to its open pages.

"The Lord is my refuge, a very present help in time of trouble," were the sacred words upon which the kiss was printed. The passage had been selected by the President himself.

Early yesterday morning President Wilson, accompanied by his wife and the augmented guard of Secret Service operatives, motored through a blinding rain to the Capitol. He remained at once to the President's room where, from time to time, Senators of both parties visited him.

Mrs. Wilson, a sad smile on her exquisitely chiseled face, and wearing deep mourning, sat in the window recess, from time to time engaging for a moment in the conversation. Her sister, Mrs. M. H. Maury, of Roanoke, Va., died less than a week ago and the bereavement cast a shadow over the inaugural ceremonies and embittering what to an American woman is the triumph of triumphs.

"Among the first to congratulate the President after the Cabinet members had had their say was Senator Knute Nelson, of Minnesota.

"Congratulations, Mr. President," said the sturdy old war horse of Republicanism, as he grasped the hand of the Chief Executive. "I want to tell you that I am with you, and that I stand with you in this emergency in anything and everything you do."

The President beamed on the venerable Norsemans.

Secretary Tumulty wished "the Governor" another four years of success and then the little group dispersed. Before 12:30 he was back at the White House and the new administration of Wilson had begun.

CRISIS IN CHINA.

President Stands In Way of Break With Germany.

Peking, March 5.—The Cabinet yesterday decided that China should join the United States in breaking off relations with Germany. This decision was submitted to the President who refused to approve the Cabinet's action, saying such power rested entirely with him. Premier Tuan Chi-jui immediately resigned and left for Tien-Tsin, accompanied by several other members of the Cabinet.

The resignation of the entire Cabinet is expected.

Parliament is virtually unanimous in favor of the opinion of the Cabinet. The leaders of all the political parties are adversely criticizing the President's position. The Vice President of the republic supports the action of the Cabinet.

An official statement issued from the President's office says that the break between the President and the Premier was due to personal differences rather than to the foreign policy. President Li Yuan-Hung has sent representatives to Tientsin to induce the Premier to return to Peking.

According to the President's Office, the immediate cause of the break was a dispatch sent to the Chinese Minister at Tokio, committing China to a rupture of relations with Germany, and a union with the Entente powers under certain conditions. The President refused his approval because, he declared Parliament must sanction all measures contemplating war as well as a direct declaration of war.

President Li Yuan-Hung, justified his position by Article 35 of the Provisional Constitution, which reads as follows:

"The Provisional President shall have power, with the concurrence of the national Council, to declare war and conclude treaties."

See Linton, at Blondheim's old stand, City Market, for meats, Auth's Provisions, etc.

When in Washington and hungry, stop at Schneider's Restaurant 12th street opposite Raleigh.

Alexandria City and Suburbs

Miss Mary Byrne Holt, of Baltimore, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Warfield, at their home in south Fairfax street.

Miss Miriam Stout, of New York, and Miss May Lindsey, of Portsmouth, Virginia, are the guests of Miss Mamie Lindsey and Miss Marion Lindsey, at their home on Brad-dock Heights.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace J. Spraker, of Johnston, New York, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Goupill, of Altoona, Pa., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Ramey, at their home in south Alfred street, for the inauguration.

Funeral services for Charles Emerson Woormer, who died in Philadelphia, were conducted at the residence of his father-in-law, John Clapdore, 129 south Royal street, yesterday afternoon, by the Rev. Dr. Eugene B. Jackson, pastor of the First Baptist church. The pallbearers were members of the Relief Hook and Ladder Company.

Mrs. Kate Waller Barrett has as her guests at her home in Duke street, Miss Roberta Moncreu, of Garrisonville, and Miss Garland Stoneham, of Lancaster county, both students at the Fredericksburg Normal School. Mr. Tupper Barrett, of the University of Virginia, returned Saturday to his home in Duke street, to spend inauguration week, and has as his guests two of his fellow students, Mr. Agnew Thompson and Mr. Gordon G. Darwin, of Dayton, Tenn.

General Nichols has announced his recommendations for additional appointments of Virginia Military Institute graduates as second lieutenants in the United States marine corps. In a communication to Major General Commandant George Barnett, of the marine corps, General Nichols has presented the following young men as candidates for the service: C. T. Holtzman, class 1915, Luray, Va.; J. A. B. Dillard, class 1916, Franklin, N. J.; Calvin Cumming, class 1917, Hampton, Va.; R. S. Pendleton, class 1917, Pine Creek Mills, Va.; J. G. Ward, class 1917, Portsmouth, Va.; J. D. McLean, class 1915, Alexandria, Va.; J. S. Hart, class 1917, Weatherford, Texas, and G. B. Lockhart, class 1917, Honaker, Va. These young men, designated as four principals and four alternates, will be required to stand the physical examination only. Their diplomas of graduation from the institute will be accepted.

WILL ISSUE BREAD CARDS.

France is Also Studying Measures Relative to Milk Distribution.

Paris, March 5.—Announcement that bread cards would be instituted in France to prevent waste was made last week in an official communication issued by E. Douard Herriot, Minister of Provisions. The announcement says: "To avoid wastage we have decided to regulate the consumption of bread by instituting cards. Instructions will be given to the prefects of the different departments to put the new regulation into effect."

The Minister also is studying measures to be enforced in the large centres of population to assure that preference shall be given to the wounded, sick, children and the aged in the distribution of milk.

Steamer Wakefield Brought to City. After many delays the steamer Wakefield of the Potomac and Chesapeake Steamboat Company service which had been launched from the marine railway at the Alexandria shipyard was taken on Friday to Washington and docked at the pier of her owners. About five months ago the Wakefield was hauled out at Alexandria to have her hull rebuilt. A month ago she was pronounced completed, but the freezing weather came and kept her from being launched.

Monday last she was started overboard, but before she was completely launched it was found she was leaking, and she was again hauled out. She was finally put into the water. She will now be painted and refitted and made ready to take up service on the river in a few weeks.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hatch, of Acacia Farm, Alexandria county, are the guests for a week of Mr. and Mrs. J. Fred Birrell, in The Wagar.

The regular monthly meeting of Robert E. Lee Camp of Confederate Veterans will be held this evening in Lee Camp Hall, at 7:30.

Mrs. Charles Edward Potts, of Ashland, Va., is the guest of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. Keith Carlin, at their home in north Columbus street.

Mr. and Mrs. Wirt Triplett returned yesterday to their home at Markham, after a visit to Mrs. Triplett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Francis J. Davidson, at their home in south Royal street.

Miss Ora Wise, of Weyer's Cave, Virginia, and Mr. Raymond L. Rodgers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Rodgers, of this city, were married in Staunton, Virginia, on March 1st. Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers will make their home in Staunton.

Business of all kinds in this city was practically suspended by noon today and large delegations were on their way to Washington before that hour to witness the inauguration and parade. The Alexandria High School Cadets, with 110 in line, the Indian Guard band and the Boy Scouts helped to swell the representation sent from Alexandria. Besides these there were the company of 100 horsemen made up from Fairfax and Alexandria counties. J. M. Duncan, officiated as marshal of the Alexandria division and George K. Pickett was marshal of the Fairfax county section.

Funeral services for Mrs. Eva Dawkins Edelen, wife of James Steed Edelen, of Baltimore and St. Mary's and Prince Georges county, Md., who died at the Sibley Hospital, in Washington, on Friday, were held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Christ Episcopal Church. Rev. Wm. J. Morton, officiated, assisted by the Rev. E. E. Knight, of Baltimore, and the Rev. H. E. Ryerson, of St. John's Parish, Broad Creek, Md. The pallbearers were Sherman B. Fowler and Dr. Charles T. Lindsay, of Alexandria, Dr. Edwin Hasbrouck, Gilbert Dent, Thomas Turner Smith, and A. R. Hazard, of Washington. James C. Rogers, T. Hammond Welsh, Hyattsville, and George E. Peterson, of Baltimore. The interment was in the Presbyterian cemetery.

KING FERDINAND ILL.

Bulgarian Ruler Reported at Rome to be Dangerously Low.

Rome, March 5.—King Ferdinand of Bulgaria is dangerously ill at an Austrian health resort, according to advisers here.

King Ferdinand was 56 years old on February 26. He assumed the government in 1887, after abdication of Prince Alexander. The above is the first word of his illness. He was last reported in attendance at the conference at the German Kaiser's headquarters on January 27, when the unlimited submarine warfare was decided upon.

BRITISH STILL ADVANCING

Push Ahead About Two-thirds of a Mile in Ancre Area.

London, March 5.—The British troops in their forward movement in the Ancre area, in France, have made another advance east of Commeucourt along a 2-mile front of about two-thirds of a mile, according to the official report from the headquarters. Nearly 200 prisoners were captured.

Flood in Accident.

Representative H. D. Flood, of Virginia, chairman of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, was painfully injured early yesterday when his automobile, in which he was riding home from the Capitol, collided with a taxi cab.

Mr. Flood's face and hands were cut, but he was able to attend the last session of the House at noon.

Special Notice. Washington Memorial Lodge of Perfection, No. 7, will hold a called meeting on March 6th, 1917, at 7:30 p. m. in the Masonic Temple, for the purpose of conferring the fourth, fifth and sixth degrees. All members and visiting brethren are cordially invited to be present. FRANK W. LATHAM, 32 degree Secretary. 54-34.

Captain Herbert Young who was ordered to leave Alexandria received word yesterday that he is to stay in this city.

Memorial Lodge of Perfection, No. 7, Scottish Rite Masons, will confer the fourth, fifth and sixth degree this evening in the Masonic Temple.

Owing to the interruption to services by the visitors to Christ Church during inauguration week, there will be no 5 o'clock services in that church tomorrow, Tuesday, afternoon.

Mrs. William Cabell Trueman, of Westhampton, and Mr. and Mrs. John Wells, of Richmond, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Shepperson, in The Wagar.

Mrs. Foley Sisk died yesterday afternoon at her home at Bowling, Fauquier county. The funeral will take place tomorrow at Marshall. Mrs. Sisk has a number of relatives in Alexandria, among them two nieces, Mrs. J. L. Grimm and Mrs. A. M. Sisk, and one nephew, Mr. Edward Walker.

The inaugural has brought the usual large number of guests to Alexandria, many arriving here on Saturday and yesterday from distant states and cities. Hundreds passed through the city yesterday and the day before over the electric lines on their way to Mount Vernon, and stopped here on the return trip to visit Christ Church, the Carlyle House and various other historic points of interest in the town.

The coroner's jury which was summoned by Dr. T. M. Jones for the purpose of holding an inquest over the body of Luther Hardwick, the colored man who died in the Alexandria Hospital Friday from the effects of gunshot wounds, was composed of J. P. Steiner, J. H. Fisher, C. Conway Braxner, Raymond S. Cleveland, T. M. Denbarr and Thomas Chauncey. After the jury had viewed the body the hearing was adjourned subject to the call of the coroner. A report was in circulation on Saturday that it was thought that a clue had been obtained that might lead to the detection of the man who fired the shot resulting in Hardwick's death. Whether a colored man known as "White Boy," is the man in question or not was not stated. The shooting occurred near Clout's Mills in Fairfax county, it will be remembered, about two weeks ago.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Majestic Theater, a vaudeville house, in Harrisburg, Pa., gave a matinee Saturday morning, the proceeds going to charity. The admission was two potatoes for children and five for grown-ups. The scarcity of potatoes was reflected in the bins where the "spuds" were piled, for some of the children presented heads of cabbage and onions to the door-keeper.

The statistics of the Parisian "blue book" for 1917 show 2,600 men killed on the field of battle out of a total of 31,564 names composing what is understood as Parisian society.

Direct passenger service between the United States and Scandinavian countries is cut off by announcement of officials of Scandinavian steamship lines that they will book no more passengers. Only mail and freight will be carried on the Scandinavian-American and Norwegian-American liners.

The Sheppard "dry bill" for the District of Columbia became a law shortly after midnight Sunday morning, President Wilson having signed the bill.

The six passenger liners of the American Line are to be equipped with defensive guns immediately, according to an official of the line.

Yesterday morning Emmanuel Bible Class of Christ Church Sunday School was addressed by Mr. H. S. Byrd, commonwealth's attorney for Bath county. It was a most soul-stirring talk and was thoroughly enjoyed by the eighty odd members who had braved the inclement weather to attend the class.

WHOLESALE—

Oysters, Clams and Crabs. J. BRILL, No. 2 King St.

ELABORATE FIREWORKS

To Be Seen at Washington This Evening in Honor of the Inauguration.

The display of pyrotechnics at the inauguration of President Wilson and Vice President Marshall, this evening, will be one of the most elaborate character. It will be marked by creations in fireworks never before exhibited and starting innovation set pieces and aerial effects. The completed program as announced recently by Inaugural Chairman Robert N. Harper. There are 85 distinct pieces. A few minutes before the orgy of fire begins a flash and sound signal will be fired on the Washington monument grounds, immediately south of the White House, where the exhibition is to be given, as announcement to the assembled thousands that all is in readiness for the beginning of the spectacle.

Then will follow the flight skyward of 25 montgolfier balloons bearing magnesium lights and other effects and the national salute will be sounded by 101 nine-inch aerial guns. The next instant the great park and Washington monument will be brilliantly illuminated with a flood of light which will bring into picturesque relief the White House to the North, the historic Potomac river and the surrounding government structures. As this almost daylight of illumination fades away there will be an ascent of inauguration shells with stars and choice colorings.

Next will be shown successively rocket effect shells; American Beauty shells; the shrill sounding of 850 whistles in midair with flashing blue and green fire; the flowers of the garden, shells producing primroses, violets, pansies, etc.; "The Star Spangled Banner," produced by the discharge of 50 nine-inch bombs; triple pillar fire, 100 feet high, which created a sensation at New York at the reception of the American fleet in 1915; hanging chain bombs; "Spiderland," an electrical discharge of 50 great bombs breaking into gigantic spiders of fire and an aerial flower garden.

At this point an up-to-the minute creation will be given—a great display of "Wilsonian peace bombs," breaking into three parts, discharging stars and displaying the national colors, followed by another novelty in pyrotechnics, a flight of eagle scream bombs giving an exact imitation of the piercing cry of the national bird. Other numbers on the program will be a changing cloud, finishing with the peacock's plume and prismatic torrents; flowers bombardment of the Temple of Flora; Tokio bombs; salute to the American flag; in which an immense shell will release a streamer 1,000 feet from the earth; field of the cloth of gold; flying pigeons; two miles of floating festoons; "Sweet Violets," heavy artillery salutes with rapid detonations displaying all colors; cyanan-themum bombs; gigantic floral batteries giving a happy combination of war and flowers, floating fire curtain salvos of shells; an avalanche of snow in almost blinding brilliance; umbrellas of fire in ascent and descent; radium bombs; twentieth century shells; green-eyed monsters of the air; diamond dust batteries; sunset in the Alps; international aviation bombs; twinkling star bombs; Yellowstone geysers; battle of the flowers.

"The Birth of a Nation," an allegory in fire, with classic figures laying wreaths against a broken column draped with the national colors and with the legend, "Let us have peace." The southern cross; mammoth flying dragons; meteoric display, and the mystic wheels. The portraits of President Wilson and Vice President Marshall inclosed in laurel wreath, flanked by six liberty columns, 50 feet apart, with flags and trophies between each column and the legend, "Peace on earth, good will to men." This set piece will cover 3,000 square feet. The great war in Europe will be graphically suggested by a "brisk engagement on the firing line," low framework emitting 3,600 blinding magnesium flashes and 1,900 reports, growing stronger and heavier all the time, until the fight concludes with a terrific cannonade, with the quick rattle of musketry, the booming of big guns, drumming of the machine guns and the fire and smoke

GROUP OF WILFUL MEN

President Wilson Excoriates Senators Who Thwarted His Plan to Safeguard Country.

The most remarkable statement coming from the White House in many years last night declared "a little group of wilful men, representing no opinion but their own, have rendered the great government of the United States helpless and contemptible."

President Wilson declared that the nation's peril had been increased through the action of eleven Senators in preventing Congress from acting "to safeguard the country or to protect the elementary rights of its citizens."

"A complete paralysis of the legislative and the executive branches of the government," he said, "has been brought about 'in a situation unparalleled in the history of the country, perhaps unparalleled in the history of any modern government.'"

The President's statement, couched in more vigorous language than he has heretofore employed in any public utterance, declared that an extra session of the Fifty-fifth Congress would confront the same difficulties which had prevented action in the Congress just expired.

He declared that the situation was graver than had been supposed, because he had found that authority which he believed he held under the Constitution, to act on his own initiative, was "practically nullified" by old and unrepented statutes.

Although more than 500 of the 551 members of the Houses favored the authorization bill, the President said, eleven members of the Senate had been able to hold up the measure, taking advantage of the Senate privilege of unlimited debate.

Thwarted in his efforts to secure from the expiring Sixty-fourth Congress authorization to protect American lives and American rights at sea, President Wilson last night started a struggle to secure the power he deems necessary from the Sixty-fifth Congress.

A determined filibuster in the Senate conducted by Senator La Follette, of Wisconsin, aided by ten other Senators, blocked the bill designed to array Congress behind the President in his plan to place the United States on a basis of armed neutrality. The Senate rules, permitting unlimited debate made the defeat of the measure possible, although only eleven Senators were prepared to vote against it. Last night the President declared war on the Senate rules, and administration leaders planned an immediate fight to force a closure rule through the Upper House.

The Senate met in special session at noon today. Tomorrow the battle to make the Senate responsive to the will of the majority will begin. Administration Senators declared that the fight would continue without intermission until all possibility of a negligible minority defying an overwhelming majority and absolutely preventing all Senate action, has been removed. It was made clear that the adoption of a closure rule in the Senate would clear the way for an extra ordinary session of the Sixty-fifth Congress and a certain in-dorsement of the President's plan for arming American ships and protecting American rights at sea in the face of the German submarine campaign of ruthlessness.

Twenty-one Fords Sold.

The Kemschell Auto Sales Company of this city announce the deliveries of the new 1917 model Ford to the following residents of Alexandria and vicinity. H. G. Machen, two chassis; Robey and Mang-n, one chassis; M. Bennett, touring car; F. A. Butterfield, touring car; Vernon M. Lynch, touring car; J. A. Thomas, touring car; W. B. Huhman, touring car; Harry Crump, touring car; D. E. Robey, touring car; S. H. Smith, touring car; B. M. Smith, touring car; Stanley P. Gordon, touring car; J. Dreifus and Son, runabout; Thos. N. De Lashmutt, touring car; L. H. Young, six touring cars.

of battle. The concluding numbers will be the "inauguration bouquet," a wonderful effect which will envelop the city in all the colors of the rainbow, and "Goodnight," in fire four feet high, red, white and blue, outlined in brilliant colored fires.